



Church of the Holy Comforter

EPISCOPAL
Vienna, Virginia

To help our community and world know the transforming love of God in Jesus Christ.

Founded in Faith

Transformation. Wholeness. Healing. Our mission calls us to welcome all people into a generous Christian community where they may encounter God’s transforming presence in worship, be formed with others in the way of Christ through intentional formation, and be empowered to live out their faith through engagement in God’s mission of healing and reconciliation in a rapidly changing world.

The Master Plan

In 1988, Holy Comforter created a building Master Plan to address the overall long-term vision of the Holy Comforter campus, buildings, and facilities. The Master Plan was written to support Holy Comforter’s vision and mission, plan for long range capital improvements, and plan to support and expand the growth, mission, and ministry of the parish – a history dating back 125 years!



Phase I

Narthex, Lower Level Improvements, Parish Hall 3rd Floor

1992

Phase II

St. Mary’s Chapel

1998

Phase III

Enlarged Fellowship Hall (Two-Level Ministry Center), Additional Classrooms/Meetings Rooms, Sanctuary Renovations (including New Organ), Rodman House Renovations

2019

Now is the Time

Over the last two years, the Vestry has been discussing means to retire our current debt as well as raise additional funds for other priority areas identified – needs that are unable to be funded from the annual Operating budget, primarily “capital” in nature. On the back is our proposed vision as we enter this discovery phase.

PROPOSED VISION

Debt Retirement

Anticipated Cost - \$800,000

\$3.38 million was raised for the Phase III campaign, with total project costs of \$4.18 million, resulting in a current parish debt of \$800,000. The overall goal is to remain a debt free congregation and to free up our debt payments so funds may be used for ministry (\$54,000 annually).



Solarize Campus

Anticipated Cost - \$500,000

A lead gift of \$400,000 to \$425,000 has been committed for the dedicated purpose of solarization. This component of a campaign will help us achieve the diocese's goal, which was adopted by our Vestry, of reducing Holy Comforter's carbon footprint 50% by 2030 and reaching net zero by 2045. Going solar will also cut our electric bill up to 80% for an approximate savings of \$1.2 million over 25 years.



Relocate & Enhance Choir Room

Anticipated Cost - \$100,000

We have outgrown our choir room and more space is required for current and future needs. We envision relocating the choir room to the third floor, which would double the choir area as well as allow for improved acoustics and add appropriate robing and music storage. A dedicated office for the Minister of Music would also be created.



Campus Improvements

Anticipated Cost - \$50,000

Several improvements to our beautiful campus are needed such as restoration of our pond to fix the dam and improve its overall health, creation of a dedicated walking path with the intention of linking our back acreage to the town path (Foxstone Park), and establishment of an outdoor worship space.



Fund Speaker Series

Anticipated Cost - \$100,000

Launch a Speaker Series, as part of the Center for Wellness and Spirituality, to enhance congregation education and to highlight the Ministry Center to better meet our mission in helping our community and world know the transforming love of God in Jesus Christ.



We Want To Hear From You

As we approach our 125th anniversary, we hope to have this campaign effort be part of our celebration! Be sure to participate in the survey and interview to give your feedback. Contact us at rmusser@kirbysmith.com if you have any questions.